HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 731

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Sarah Cheek on her selection as 2014 Sevier County Primary Grades Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Cheek is one such estimable educator who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cheek was recently selected as the 2014 Sevier County Schools' Primary Grades Teacher of the Year, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher, as it recognizes the positive influence she has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Cheek earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Tennessee after discovering her passion for children and education, and she is currently working on a doctorate in curriculum and instruction; and

WHEREAS, she has served estimably for seven years at Pi Beta Phi Elementary, where she teaches kindergarten and first grade; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cheek is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, and she aims to instill in them a love of learning that they can carry with them throughout their lives; and

WHEREAS, inspired by the teachers that influenced her young life, including her mother, Ms. Cheek aims to be a similar source of support and encouragement to her students; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cheek truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Cheek epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest precepts of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Sarah Cheek on being chosen as the 2014 Sevier County Primary Grades Teacher of the Year, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.